## Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

Original Updated	Corrected Supplemental					
LRB Number <b>09-2950/1</b>	Introduction Number AB-0346					
Description Penalties for driving a vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicant						
Fiscal Effect						
Appropriations Rev	ease Existing enues rease Existing enues to absorb within agency's budget enues  Percentage Costs  To absorb within agency's budget  Percentage Costs					
Local:  No Local Government Costs  Indeterminate  1. Increase Costs Permissive Mandatory  2. Decrease Costs Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Districts  Stool Districts						
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations  GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS						
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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives DA 7/24/2009

LRB Number 09-2	2950/1	Introduction Number	AB-0346	Estimate Type	Original	
Description						
Penalties for driving a vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicant						

## **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

District Attorneys indicated that if this bill were to be enacted, their offices would face a severe strain due to a number of reasons associated with OWI cases:

- \* OWI cases are contested more often with trials than other allegations (in some cases to avoid a criminal record)
- \* criminal OWI motions and challenges pertaining to OWI/PAC charge
- \* "alcohol level" arguments over the PAC for the charge itself and the two different PAC levels contained within the charge
- \* increased motion hearings either in the form of suppression or collateral attacks on prior offenses
- \* additional post-trial and appellate responsibilities
- \* delays in obtaining testing results from the State Lab of Hygiene.

DAs projected a need for additional prosecutors at a rate of 13.8%. With 435 prosecutors, a need of 13.8% represents approximately 60 additional ADAs. The additional cost for the DA program would be approximately:

Annual salary = \$47,036 Annual fringe = \$18,433 TOTAL = \$65,469 x 60 ADAs = \$3,928,140.

DAs indicated that there would be a need for increased county support staff in DA offices and there would be an increase in the number of inmates in county jails.

## **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

For a long-range fiscal impact, please see above.